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For: A NETWORK METHOD SYSTEM AND APPARATUS
FOR RECORDING AND MAINTAINING RECORDS

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicant wishes to call to the attention of the examiner the following references:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>PATENT #</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>
United States	6,052,631	Busch et al.	08-08-97
United States	6,003,808	Nguyen et al.	07-11-97
United States	5,987,474	Sandifer	07-07-98
United States	5,931,878	Chapin, Jr.	08-09-96
United States	5,778,381	Sandifer	08-04-95
United States	4,404,641	Bazarnik	02-17-81

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with the Form, PTO 1449. The Bazarnik, U. S. Patent #4,404,641, is discussed at page 3 of the Application. The Chapin, Jr., U. S. Patent #5,931,878, is discussed at pages 3 and 4 of the Application. The Nguyen et al., U. S. Patent #6,003,808, is discussed at page 4 of the Application. The Sandifer, U. S. Patents #5,778,381 and #5,987,474, are discussed at page 4 of the Application. The remaining patents are believed to be cumulative or of less relevance to those discussed in the Application.

The Applicant respectfully suggests that none of the above patents, taken alone or in combination, neither render obvious nor anticipate the present invention. Consideration of the foregoing to this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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